SENATE RESOLUTION 25 By Kurita

A RESOLUTION To honor and recognize Rachel LaRae Barnes, 2001 Co-Salutatorian of Stewart County High School.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Rachel Barnes is one such exceptional student who was recently named co-salutatorian of the 2001 graduating class at Stewart County High School; and

WHEREAS, Through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Miss Barnes has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, As a result of her dedication to academic excellence, Rachel has achieved membership in the exclusive Beta Club, was selected for inclusion in the *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, and has received numerous awards and accolades, including Black and Gold Awards for Teen Living, Algebra I, Geography, Geometry, Algebra II, and United States History; the National English Merit Award; and the First Place Award in DECA Economics at Regional and State levels; and

WHEREAS, A well-rounded individual and natural leader, Rachel serves as DECA President and Varsity Basketball Captain, and she also belongs to many clubs and teams, including the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the Math Club, the Spanish Club, the Pep Club, the Science Club, and the Math Team; and

WHEREAS, Rachel Barnes's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as a student at Bethel College, which she will attend on a full academic scholarship and will major in Chemistry; and

WHEREAS, Miss Barnes's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, David and Jeanette Barnes, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Rachel's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend and honor 2001 Stewart County High School Co-Salutatorian, Rachel LaRae Barnes, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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